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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7(canceled)

- 8. (currently amended) Padded fishing shorts comprising:
 - a trunk portion and legs, said trunk portion having an open top with means for securement about the waist of a wearer, a rear area for covering the buttocks of the wearer, a frontal crotch area, and opposite sides forming hip areas for covering the hips of a wearer, said trunk portion and said trunk portion and said legs having exterior surfaces;
 - a plurality of hook and loop material strips attached to said exterior surface of said frontal crotch area,
 - an attachment tang present on one of said hip areas or one of said legs;
 a drink koozie, having a clip, said drink koozie being attached to said
 attachment tang by means of said clip, said drink koozie being capable of
 being removed from said attachment tang such that the wearer can drink
 from said koozie and then attach said koozie to said attachment clip to have
 both hands free for fishing; and
 - a padding attached to said exterior surface of said frontal crotch area by means of said hook and loop material strips, said padding <u>being</u> capable of covering a wearer's crotch area and lower abdomen such that the wearer can rest the butt of a fishing pole on their abdomen in the customary position used for fighting fish, <u>and</u> said padding <u>being</u> is removable from said shorts for convenience.

Claims 9-18 (canceled)